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2644

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Fee Transmittal Form



Fee Attached



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**For FY 2007**☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Examiner Name	Walter F. Briney III
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Attorney Docket No.	051270-0305144

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200	100
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Multiple dependent claims

360	180
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Multiple Dependent Claims
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Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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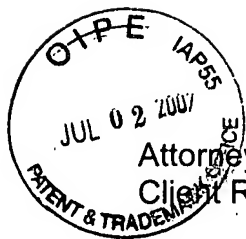
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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:  
HIRAI, et al.

Confirmation Number: 4793

Application No.: 10/705,794

Group Art Unit: 2644

Filed: November 7, 2003

Examiner: Walter F. Briney III

For: MULTI-CHANNEL ECHO CANCEL METHOD, MULTI-CHANNEL SOUND  
TRANSFER METHOD, STEREO ECHO CANCELLER, STEREO SOUND TRANSFER  
APPARATUS AND TRANSFER FUNCTION CALCULATION APPARATUS

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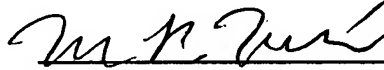
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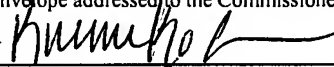
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 — EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINATION GROUP 2644



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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 (RULE 116 AMENDMENT) IN RESPONSE TO  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Examiner Briney III:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 10, 2007 in connection with the  
above-identified application, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.